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LOG OF MEETING

MEETING WITH: William Spohn
Bacharach Inc.
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

MEETING DATE: April 9, 1997

MEETING LOCATION: CPSC, East-West Towers, Bethesda, Maryland

LOG ENTRY SOURCE: Elizabeth W. Leland, EC

ATTENDEES: Commission Staff
Sandra Inkster, EHHE
Elizabeth Leland, EC
Marcia Robins, EC

Non-Commission Attendees
William Spohn, Bacharach Inc.

SUMMARY OF MEETING:

Mr. Spohn requested the meeting with CPSC staff. The purpose of the meeting was to provide CPSC staff with information about equipment developed, manufactured, and sold by Bacharach for measuring levels of carbon monoxide (CO). One piece of equipment is a hand-held instrument which measures and displays CO concentrations in room air. Mr. Bacharach also showed staff a "breathalyzer" which can be used to measure an individual's level of CO in their blood. The breathalyzer can be used on-site when there is an incident of possible CO poisoning. Initial studies have shown that there is good comparability between the levels measured by the breathalyzer and levels indicated by blood tests. The accuracy of the breathalyzer is at the single-digit ppm level. Mr. Spohn also described field studies being conducted in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

